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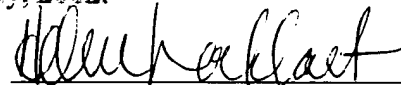
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to calculating the fees for the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendment of the claims. A Four (4) Month Extension of Time to and including January 22, 2002 is hereby requested. A check in the amount of \$1,140.00 to cover the extension fee is enclosed.

Please cancel claims 13-17, 19, 21-22, 24-26, 29-31, 37-49, and 51-54.

Please amendment claims 34, 35, and 36 to read as follows:

34. (Amended) A pharmaceutical preparation comprising a sterile formulation of the substantially pure heparinase III of claim 28 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

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